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	Examiner Daniel Pan	Art Unit 2183	

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 09 October 2007.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 3,5-11,14,16-22,25 and 27-33 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 1,2,12,13,15,23,24,26 and 34-60 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 3,5-11,14,16-22,25 and 27-33 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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1. Claims 3,5-11,14, 16-22, 25,27-33 remain for examination. Claims 1,2, 12,13,15, 23,24,26,34-60 have been canceled. Upon further review, claims 25,27, 28, 29, 33 are further rejected under "101" for the reasons set forth below. Since this is a new ground of rejection to claims 25,27, 28, 29, and 33, this is a non-final action in order to allow applicant a chance to respond.

35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

2. Claims 25,27, 28, 29, 31, 32,33 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. The reasons are given below.

3. As to claims 25,27, 28, 29, 31, 32,33 , no clear final result which is made available for use in the disclosed practical application nor being applied in the disclosed practical application can be found. The claim is reciting providing the vector data file and providing the pointer array and the storage elements of the vector data file are logically organized in matrix rows and columns and each entry storing the address representing the row and column. The application of storage of the address is not clear. The practical application of the logically organized matrix is unclear. Although claims further amended for accessing vector data file for the single storage element address according to the address of the pointer array, no details of access is being recited in the claims. Therefore, it is read as a generic function for the intended use. No clear practical application nor clear final result can be found.

4. Claims 3, 8, 9-11,14,19-22,25, 31,32,33 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fossum et al. (4,888,679) in view of Birrittella (6,266,759).

5. Claims 7,16-18, 29,30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fossum et al. (4,888,679) in view of Birrittella (6,266,759) as applied to claims 3,14, 25 above, and further in view of Sakakibara (5,392,443).

6. Claims 5,6,27,28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fossum et al. (4,888,679) in view of Birrittella (6,266,759) and in view of Sakakibara (5,392,443).

7. As to the newly amended feature of entries grouped in addressable words by the address decoder corresponding to the vectors, Fossum also taught entries grouped in addressable words by the address decoder corresponding to the vectors (see the tag A as address correspond gin to the data word as addressable words in fig.2 , see also col.6, lines 20-68, col.7, lines 1-8 for detail description).

8. The rejections under "103" have been maintained and incorporated by reference the last Office action on 07/09/07.

9. Applicant's response filed on 10/09/07 has been fully considered but is not persuasive.

10. In the remarks applicant argued that :

- a) Fossum's entries are not grouped into addressable words;
- b) Birrittella's calculation is not analogous to an addressable word corresponding to vector ;

c) Saakkibara's vector register unit did not store entries or pointers to a vector data.

11. As to a) above, see teaching of Fossum cited above.
12. As to b), Birrittella taught an arbitrary starting address which is applicable to any addressable word including a vector.
13. As to c), Saakkibara's vector register unit is applicable for storing entries or pointers to a vector data because it teaches modulo N for a vector (see col.18, lines 9-19).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dan Pan whose telephone number is 571 272 4172. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chan, can be reached on 571 272 4162. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703 306 5404.

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